



**GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10**

DATE OF MEETING: **September 9, 2025**

TITLE: **Administration of Oath of Office to Appointed Governing Board Member**

BACKGROUND:

A.R.S. §38-231 requires school district governing board members and employees to take a loyalty oath of office. School district governing board members must take the oath at or before commencement of their term of office. The oath reads as follows:

“I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution and laws of the State of Arizona; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same, and defend them against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of the office of the Governing Board for Amphitheater Unified School District No. 10, according to the best of my abilities, so help me God (or so I do affirm).”

A.R.S. §15-426 further requires school district governing board members to execute the oath in writing before a Notary Public and forward it to the Pima County School Superintendent.

In accordance with these laws, newly appointed Board member Dr. Michael Gemma subscribed his oath of office before a notary public on August 27th, 2025 at the office of the Pima County School Superintendent.

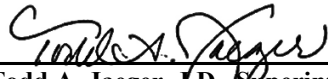
Because his oath was administered separately outside of a public meeting, Dr. Gemma also has the option to take the oath again publicly during the September 9, 2025 Governing Board meeting. This agenda item is provided to permit Dr. Gemma to take the oath of office during the Board meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

Dr. Michael Gemma should state the loyalty oath of office required by A.R.S. §38-231, which may be administered by the person of his choosing.

INITIATED BY:

Date: September 3, 2025



Todd A. Jaeger, J.D., Superintendent